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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

I am writing to voice my support for Microsoft in the antitrust dispute that has gone on for three years. This litigation is a waste of the government's valuable time and the financial resources of its citizens. Other matters more pertinent to the health of the national economy should be addressed.

I support the legal settlement reached in November. I believe this settlement is fair to all concerned parties and will ultimately benefit the whole economy and consumers. Further litigation will not!

This settlement will also benefit the technology industry and companies attempting to compete with Microsoft. The company will start to share more information with other companies, including certain internal interfaces in Windows and protocols implemented in Windows, on reasonable and non-discriminatory terms. Microsoft has also accepted to be monitored by a technical oversight committee created by the government.

I urge you to support the settlement so Microsoft employees can fully devote their resources to performing their jobs. It is time to move on to other issues.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



Katherine O. Keener